THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Construction of hotels at beaches in the country

219. SHRI N.E. BALARAM :
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to lift the ban on bulding activity along the waterfront thereby allowing construction cf hotels and rescrts at six beeches in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) and (b) Permission for construction of hotels and beaches will be in terms of Coastal Regulation Zone Notification issued in February, 1991. The norms for such activities depend on the category of Coastal Regulation Zones identified by State Goverrments/Union Territory Administrations and approved by Government of India.

वन रोपण योजनायें

220. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 1991 के वर्ष के दौरान कुल कितनी हेक्टेयर भूमि में वन लगाए गए;

(ख) इस संबंध में इस वर्ष के लिए क्या योजनायें हैं ;

(ग) परती भूमि में वृक्ष लगाने हेतु ग्राम जनता और स्वैच्छिक संगठनों को किस प्रकार की सरकारी सहायता उपलब्ध कराई जा रही है; और

(घ) गत वर्ष के दौरान कितने व्यक्तियों और संस्थाओं ने इस सहायता का लाभ उठाया ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) और (ख) सभी राज्यों तथा संघ शासित प्रदेशों के वनीकरण/वृक्षारोपण कार्यकलापों की वर्ष 1990–91 की उपलब्धियां तथा वर्ष 1991–92 के लक्ष्य निम्न प्रकार हैं :—

(करोड़ पौध)
(मिलियन हैक्टेयर क्षेत्र)

	पौध-वितरण (निजी भूमि पर रोपण हेतु)	क्षेत्र (वनभूमि जिनमें सार्वजनिक भूमि भी शामिल है)
उपलब्धियां		
1990–91	125.00	0.74
लक्ष्य		
1991–92	150.00	1.05

(ग) राष्ट्रीय परती भूमि विकास बोर्ड अपनी अनुदान सहायता स्कीम के अंतर्गत स्वैच्छिक संगठनों को परती भूमि विकास तथा वनीकरण कार्यकलाप चलाने के लिए वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान करता है। विकेंद्रित पौधशाला स्कीम के अंतर्गत भी पौधशालाएं स्थापित करने के लिए व्यक्तियों तथा संगठनों को वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान की जाती है।

(घ) वर्ष 1990–91 के दौरान अनुदान सहायता स्कीम के अंतर्गत 114 स्वैच्छिक संगठनों को वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान की गई। विभिन्न राज्यों में विकेंद्रित पौधशाला स्कीम के अंतर्गत वर्ष 1990–91 के दौरान कुल 11216 लाभार्थियों को सहायता प्रदान की गई।

Population of the Great Indian Rhino

221. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI :

Wil the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the population of the great Indian one homed rhiro (rhinoceros unicornis) is fast dwindling with atleast 400 of the species s1au,htered for their horns since 1974 in Kaziranga sanctuary itself bypoacfcers

(b) if so, what is the present popula tion of rhinos in Kaziranga and how it compares with their number cf 1970; and

(c) what steps Government have raker to prevent poaching, which is now being done thraugh electrocution by spreading a net of live wires in the grass ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) and (b) In spite of poaching remaining a serious threat to the Indian rhino, its populatior has been reported to be rising. In the Kaziranga National Park, the population of rhinos is repor-ted to have risen from 658 in 1972 to 1250 in 1990.

(c) Steps taken to prevent poaching ir the Kaziranga National Park include :

(1) The rhino is included in Schedule I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, thus giving it maximum possible legal protection. There is a total ban on trade in its horn and other products.

(2) Under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES), of which India is a signatory, there is *a* ban on international trade in rhino horns.

(3) Government of India hss been extending assistance to the Government of Assam under the Centrally Sponsored Schcme 'Conservation of rhinos in Assam' to strengthen measures to protect the rhino aiid to conserve and develop all its habitats in Assam, including the Kaziranga Nptional Park.

(4) Anti poaching measures have been intensified in the Park through the deployment of protection staff equipped with arms, vehicles, boats and wireless sets.

(5) Patrolling of the P<rk by the anti-poaching staff both during day and right has been stepped up.

(6) A system of rewards and incentives to obtain intelligence abcut the movement of poachers has been introduced.

(7) Measures to protect the rhinos from floods, when they become vulnerable to poaching, have been taken.

Opening of C.G.H.S, dispensaries

222. SHRI KRISHAN IAL SHARMA : Wil! the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to increase the number of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic dispensaries under C.G.H.S, alongwith Allopathic dispensaries in Delhi and rest of the country;

(b) if so, the break-up cf dispensaries opened under three systems of medicines iii Delhi and rest of the country during the years 1990 and 1991, location-wise;

(c) whether there is any deviation from the decision taken in opening these dispensaries ; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and future plans of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of C.G.H.S, dispensaries opened during the 1990 and J9Si are giver in the Statement enclosed. *{Sec* below)

(c) No, Sir.

(d) There is a proposal to start more dispensaries under various systems of Medicines subject to availability cf funds. The 8th Plan outlay is yet to be approved by the Planning Commission.

Name of System of Medicine	Year			
	1990		1991	
	Delhi	Outside Delhi	Delhi	Outside Delhi
1. Allopathy	3	Hyderabad 1 (Sub-dispensar)	1	Jabalpur 1
2. Ayurvedic .				
3. Homoeopathy .				